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TAGS: OREP SWEL XY

SUBJ: CODEL DIGGS

REF: STATE 224832

1. HAVE ASKED AIR SENEGAL ABOUT CHARTER POSSIBILITIES REQUESTED PARA 2 REF TEL. INFORMED THAT AIR SENEGAL HAS NEVER FLOWN TO EL AIUN BUT THEY WILL HAVE ANSWERS TOMORROW. AIR SENEGAL HAS ONLY TWIN ENGINE PIPER AZTECS FOR CHARTER AND ONE TWIN ENGINE OTTER WHICH MIGHT BE DIVERTED FROM SCHEDULED DOMESTIC FLIGHTS. HOWEVER, WE RECOMMEND AGAINST CHARTER. 650 MILE FLIGHT OVER DESERT IN TWIN ENGINE AIRCRAFT ON LEG FROM EL AIUN TO NOUAKCHOTT (FOR REFUELING) WOULD BE VERY UNCOMFORTABLE AND SLOW (AZTEC WOULD TAKE FIVE HOURS). PLUS ANOTHER TWO HOURS TO DAKAR.

2. WE RECOMMEND CODEL CONSIDER TWO ALTERNATIVES. FIRST WOULD BE TO CONTINUE ON IBIII NOVEMBER 21 FROM EL AIUN TO LAS PALMAS ARRIVING 1705 AND DEPART AT 1950 ON AF 303 WITH ARRIVAL DAKAR AT 2200. THIS WOULD ALLOW TWO DAY PROGRAM IN DAKAR, WITH THANKSGIVING DAY FLIGHT

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ON AZTEC TO NORTHEAST AREAS ALONG RIVER (DAKAR-MATAM-

BAKEL-ST LOUIS-DW QG) AND NOVEMBER 23 FOR APPROPRIATE MEETINGS IN DAKAR. COURTESY CALL IS SET FOR 1200 NOVEMBER 23 WITH MINISTER INDUSTRIAL DEV ALEXANDRENNE WHO IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR GOS COORDINATION WITH OMVS, AND WE CONTACTING FONMIN ASSANE SECK, MINISTER RURAL DEV ADRIEN SENGHOR AND OMVS EXEC SEC OULD AMAR FOR CODEL CALLS. VISIT TO PORT WILL BE SCHEDULED AND DISCUSSIONS WITH EMBASSY AND ADO STAFF.

3. SECOND ALTERNATIVE FOR CODEL IS TO TAKE NOVEMBER 22 OR NOVEMBER 23 EL AIUN-LAS PALMAS FLIGHT (THERE ARE THREE A DAY) IN TIME FOR NEXT AVAILABLE LAS PALMAS-DAKAR FLIGHT WHICH IS RK 331 NOVEMBER 23 ARRIVING DAKAR 2200. DAKAR PROGRAM COULD BE ARRANGED FOR NOVEMBER 24-26 XLT ARRIVAL CODEL AT OUAGADOUGOU WOULD BE DELQED FROM NOVEMBER 24 TO NEXT FLIGHT ON NOVEMBER 27 VIA RK 300 AT 1230.  
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